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File No. (24-8) - 20

27 February 1950

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN

UNKNOWN AERIAL PHENOMENA Sighted by S/Sgt MARTIN K. BOONE, AF-12181101, 3024 Air Folice Squadron

Holloman AFB, at 0530 hrs MST on

20 February 1950.

SPECIAL INQUIRY - Unconventional Aircraft

TO:

Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MCIAXO-3

- 1. Reference is made to previous Reports of Investigation from this District, relative to observations of unidentified aerial objects.
- 2. Attached for your information is a copy of the Report of Investigation by Special Agent NOBERT R. JOHNS of this office, dated 21 February 1950, subject as above.
- 3. Investigation of unidentified aerial objects is continuing and copies of future reports describing incidents occurring in this area will be forwarded for your information.

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Lt Col, USAF District Commander

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DATE FILE NO. (24-3) - 2021 February 1950 THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS REPORT MADE BY S/A ROBERT R. JOHNS et of investigation TITLE REPORT MADE AT UNKNOWN AERIAL PHENOMENA 17th DO, Kirtland AFB Sighted by S/Sgt MARTIN K. BOONE, FERIOD AF-12181101, 3024 Air Police Squadron, 20 February 1950 Holloman AFB, at 0530 hrs MST OFFICE OF ORIGIN 17th DO, Kirtland AFB on 20 February 1950. STATUS CLOS ED CHARACTER SPECIAL INQUIRY - Unconventional Aircraft REFERENCE AFCSI Letter No. 85, dated 12 August 1949. 1.19 3000

This investigation is submitted in compliance with AFCSI Letter
No. 85, dated 12 August 1949, to report all sightings of unidentified
flying objects. S/Sgt MARTIN K. BOONE, AF-12181101, observed an
unusual aerial phenomenon at 0530 hrs. MST, 20 February 1950. BOONE
was interviewed and all pertinent informationwas obtained.

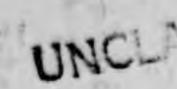
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1. This investigation predicated upon AFCSI Letter No. 85, dated 12 August 1949, to report all sightings of unidentified flying objects:

## AT ALAMOGORDO, NEW MEXICO

- 2. S/Sgt MARTIN K. BOONE was interviewed on 20 February 1950 concerning his sighting of an unusual aerial phenomenon and the following information was obtained
  - a. Date of sighting: 20 February 1950. b. Time of sighting: Object was sighted at 0530 hrs. MST and remained in view for approximately 5 minutes.
  - c. Where sighted: One mile south of Tularosa on U.S. Highway 54, while traveling in a truck. Object was sighted directly east of the position of observer.
  - d. Number of objects: One
  - e. Observable celestial phenomena or planets that may account for the sighting: None
  - f. Distance of object from observer:
    - (1) Laterally or horizontally: Unable to determine, however, observer stated it appeared to be about 10 miles east of observer's position.
    - (2) Angle of elevation from horizon: Observer stated it appeared to be approximately 1000 ft. above Sacramento Mountains, whose national altitude is 9000 feet.
  - g. Time in flight: Approximately 5 minutes.
  - h. Appearance of object:
    - (1) Color: White
    - (2) Shape: The object was round, but as stated by the observer, was not perfect in its roundness due to the glare of the object.
    - (3) Apparent construction: Unable to determine



- (4) Size: Approximately the size of a half dollar held at arm's length.
- i. Direction of flight: Object did not appear to move.
- j. Tactics or Maneuvers: None
- k. Evidence of exhaust: None
- 1. Effect on clouds: At the time of disappearance, a cloud moved in front of the object; however, the object did not appear to have any effect on the clouds.
- m. Lights: Object itself appeared to be a very brilliant.
  light.
- n. Support: None visible.
- o. Propulsion: Unable to determine.
- p. Control and stability: Object did not appear to move.
- q. Air ducts: None visible.
- r. Speed: Object did not move.
- s. Sound: None
- t. Manner of disappearance: Object disappeared from view due to cloud moving in front of object.
- u. Notes relative to observer:
  - (1) Namer S/Sgt Martin K. Boone, AF-12181101.
  - (2) Address: 3024th Air Police Squadron, Holloman AFB.
  - (3) Occupation: Air Police Range Patrol.
  - (4) Vaughn, New Mexico.
  - (5) Pertinent hobbies: Hunting.
  - (6) Ability to determine: Average.
  - (7) Reliability of observer: Reliable.
  - (8) Former sightings: Nome
  - (9) Witness:

Cpl. Robert B. Reigle, AF-13263942

3024th Air Police Squadron, Holloman AFB.

3. BOONE and REIGHE first observed this object directly east of them when they were approximately one mile south of Tularosa, New Mexico, traveling to Holloman Air Force Base on U.S. Highway 54. The thing that





attracted their attention to the object was its brilliance and extremely large size. This object did not change shape, leave a trail, or emanate any flame or color.

4. Weather conditions at that time were an overcast in the near vicinity, moving toward the object and which finally covered the object. There was no radar in operation at the time of the sighting. Checks were made with the Base Weather Squadron, Holloman AFB, White Sands Proving Ground, and Biggs Air Force Base, and it was determined that no testing devices had been released which would account for the sighting. Checks at the Operations & Projects Section and the Electronics & Atmosphere Branch, Holloman AFB, revealed no pertinent information. There were no local flights scheduled in the vicinity of Holloman AFB or Alamogordo, New Mexico, at that time.

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